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## Official Directory of Pocahontas County

Judge of Circuit Court, A. N. Campbell.  
 Prosecuting Attorney, L. M. McClintic.  
 Sheriff, J. C. Arbogast.  
 Deputy Sheriff, Robt. K. Burns.  
 Clerk of Court, S. L. Brown.  
 Clerk of Cir. Court, J. H. Patterson.  
 Assessor, C. O. Arbogast.  
 Com'r's Co. Ct. (C. E. Beard, G. M. Kee, Amos Barlow, Geo. Baxter, Geo. P. Moore.)  
 Go. Surveyor, Coroner  
 Justices: A. C. L. Gatewood, Split Rock—Chas Cook, Edray—W. H. Grose, Huntersville—Jno B Taylor, Dunmore—G. B. Curry, Academy—Thos Bruffy, Lobelia.

## THE COURTS.

Circuit Court convenes on the first Tuesday in April, 3rd Tuesday in June and 3rd Tuesday in October.  
 County Court convenes on the 1st Tuesday in January, March, October and second Tuesday in July July is levy term.

**N. C. McNEIL,**  
 ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.  
 Marlinton, West Va.

Will practice in the Courts of Pocahontas and adjoining Counties, and in the Court of Appeals of the State of West Virginia.

**L. M. McCLINTIC,**  
 Attorney-at-Law,  
 Huntersville, W. Va.

Will practice in the courts of Pocahontas and adjoining counties and in the Supreme court of Appeals.

**H. S. RUCKER,**  
 Atty.-at-Law & Notary Public,  
 Huntersville, W. Va.

Will practice in the courts of Pocahontas county and in the Supreme court of Appeals.

**J. W. ARBUCKLE,**  
 Attorney-at-Law,  
 Lewisburg, W. Va.

Will practice in the courts of Greenbrier and Pocahontas counties. Prompt attention given to claims for collection in Pocahontas county.

**W. A. BRATTON,**  
 ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
 Marlinton, W. Va.

Prompt and careful attention given to all legal business.

**A. ANDREW PRICE,**  
 Attorney-at-law,  
 MARLINTON, W. VA.

Will be found at Times Office.

**D. O. J. CAMPBELL,**  
 DENTIST,  
 Monterey, Va.

Will visit Pocahontas County, at least twice a year. The exact date of his visits will appear in this paper.

**D. J. H. WEYMOUTH,**  
 RESIDENT DENTIST,  
 Beverly, W. Va.

Will visit Pocahontas County every Spring and Fall. The exact date of each visit will appear in THE TIMES.

**J. M. CUNNINGHAM, M. D.,**  
 PHYSICIAN & SURGEON,  
 Office next door to H. A. Yeager's Hotel. Residence opposite Ho el. All calls promptly answered.

**J. M. BARNETT, M. D.**  
 has located at  
 FROST, W. VA.

Calls promptly answered.

**D. RICHARD WILLIAMS,**  
 Hightown, Va  
 Highland Co.

Will be at Travelers Repose twice a week.

**M. F. GIESEY**  
 A bitot and  
 Supriat nt.  
 Room, 19, Reilly Block,  
 Wheeling, W. Va.

## ODDS AND ENDS ABOUT MARLINTON.

The people living here are the subjects of much needless commiseration, by persons who are too quick to observe another's woe, on account of the want of a railroad. In fact, with them, the history of the place is simply one of the rise, decline and fall of hope.

A man has had no small experience who has tried to read the future; a railroad to this point has been expected for many years. In the days of Old Virginia, when the canal was in building, the residents looked forward with very much the same sort of expectation to the probable building of the Staunton and Parkersburg turnpike which afterwards passed through the extreme northern end of the county. Since then there has been a railroad project on foot to make matters interesting. It was a very poor railroad that presumed to cross the country in any other way than by this place where the waters meet.

The "Black Diamond" wild cat road was actually surveyed and stakes driven as usual, with their red unintelligible numbers, which were treated with great veneration until Mr. Andy McLaughlin broke his mowing machine on one, after which they had to go, and the precedent set was soon followed by the owners of other fields.

Our people have always taken kindly to railroads but have steadily and successfully kept down the question of a bond issue to help an impetuous corporation.

Things grew more tangible, however, when Mr. Alex. McVeigh Miller, of Alderson, and others wished to take an option upon Mr. A. M. McLaughlin's farm at \$27,500, in about 1890. In December, 1890, the "big snow" fell, which was on the level with the tops of the fences cutting off mail communication and impeding travel generally. As soon as the roads became partially passable, that hardy prospector, Mr. H. A. Yeager, a present resident of Marlinton, came and took an option on the McLaughlin place at \$40,000. Capt. Marshall, of Mingo Flats, followed shortly and took options on all the rest of the neighborhood. Col. John T. McGraw came also and the whole countryside was bought, under three feet of snow.

The options were about as follows: S. D. Price's place, \$6,500; Levi Gay \$15,000; Wm. H. McClintic \$7,500; Mrs. McLaughlin \$3,500; M. D. McLaughlin \$6,000 and Wm. T. Price \$2,000.

This was enough to make the most skeptical believe that this place was destined to be a great town. Some even predicted that fifty houses would be built here before the railroad came. This possibility was fulfilled but was not thought to be within the bounds of reason then.

In the Fall of 1891 Mr. O. A. Veasy C. E. came and laid off the town in blocks. First a street was made to fit the bridge and the other streets were made to run parallel with it. These were crossed by avenues. Lots 25 x 120 called business lots, and 40 x 120 called residence lots were marked by stakes painted white. These lots were sold in the drawing at the uniform price of \$200, and the strange part of it is that neither the Company nor any lot holder will take less than that for a lot now. You may come here and pick out a lot that you think will suit you, but you will have to pay \$400 for it.

"The railroad as a halcyon dream" is not a pleasant topic, yet the citizen of this county cannot keep from talking of it. You will find that it is the theme of discussion on all occasions and even those who are truly sick and tired of the whole thing cannot help a sort of horrid fascination that attaches itself to the question.

At this place we are in the dark ages that intervene between the days of the prophets, options, surveys, maps, lot drawings and prospect, and the time when we or our descendants will have railroad communication with somewhere.

The simple truth of the matter is that the conspicuous absence of a railroad in this town is the most remarkable thing about it. While our county people might not be benefited individually it would give outsiders a chance to come in and find room for homes and improve their fortunes, and the improvement of the county would be incident to such a proceeding.

## A CARD.

Editor "Times,"  
 Please allow us through the columns of your paper to express to the people of Hillsboro our thanks and appreciation for the valuable assistance rendered us in saving from destruction our dwelling house and other property during the burning of the store of Bright & Callison, last Sunday morning. We feel that our loss would have been much greater had it not been for the heroic efforts of the people of the village, and we cannot adequately express our deep gratitude we feel towards all who were present. JAS. K. BRIGHT and wife.

## A Reminiscence of Daniel Boone.

In 1819 George Mayse Esq. late of the Warm Springs, Va., with two persons from Pendleton county visited Missouri. Not far from St. Charles, Mo., then a French village, they crossed a stream in canoes, their horses swimming alongside. When night came the party had to lay out in the woods, supperless and without shelter, and rendered sleepless by howling wolves apparently in countless numbers. The next morning they reached a house where they breakfasted and fed their famished horses. Upon resuming their journey in the afternoon they came to where it was learned that Daniel Boone lived but a few miles off. Mr. Mayse signified his intention to pay the old pioneer a visit, the others passed on two miles further to spend the night and wait for Mr. Mayse to overtake them.

Upon reaching Mr. Boone's residence he was met at the door by a "Very genteel lady," the wife of one of Mr. Boone's sons, at that time in the national Congress. The old gentleman, she said, was out on the farm, and she would have him sent for. While waiting for his appearance Mr. Mayse took up a book on a table and it was a copy of "The Mountain Muse," in blank verse somewhat in the style of Milton's "Paradise Regained," and recited the adventures and deeds of Daniel Boone.

When she was asked what old Mr. Boone thought of the book, she said he did not like it as well as the biography that was published at Pittsburg a short while before. The "Mountain Muse" was in such high flower language that the old gentleman did not understand it.

When Mr. Boone came in Mr.

Mayse found him to be relevant and communicative. His visit was delightful to ever afterward.

## WOE! WOE! WOE!

These shouters of the pessimism, "pessimist," re nothing so much as the who rain cocoa nuts down ever dares to intrude haunts, on whatever com their trees which is new a Facts are strange and things to the hidebound, and idealess mind which rious age appears to have. It resents their intrusion a false peace of their stupid "pessimism," "pessimists" cocoa nuts. When the thrown these at the quiet in head they imagine him cre The screaming baboon of tle gle is not more an imbecil by they. Readers of this m will be wise in paying no l these jabberers.

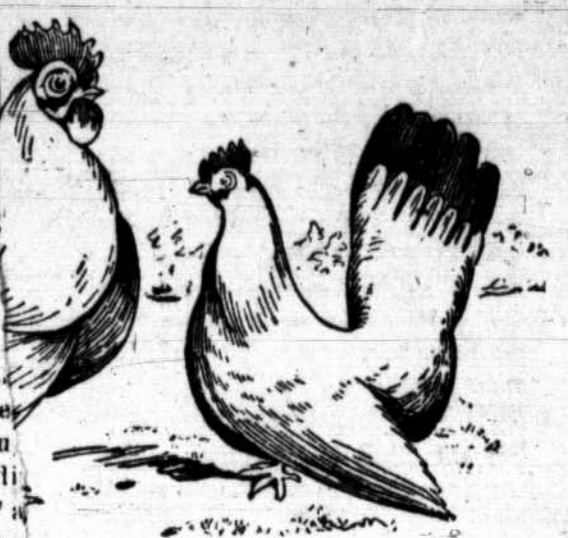
All credit is on the str of the pinch of losses grows harde day, examples of bad fa fraud—brutal, unblushing b multiply almost hourly. is sure just now, except th prices of almost all public s are above their intrinsic v that nowhere have losses d fully faced and acknowledged markets float on bladder forced the with the breath of liars, man and the even- tion, and sorrow, and los tary to us until these bladders ar unusual and the bad air let out. Tve injured progress in solid ground has been re remarkable.—

Banks and finance hontes indulge in a universal system of simulation, nothing is faced out and sternly probed to the bottom. The attitude of City finance houses towards the public has become, these years back, entirely vicious and destructive of confidence. All save the very highest kinds of securities have been looked upon as instruments for plundering. One dire result of this culture of deception and fraud is that the stock markets are burdened with incalculable masses of securities which represent no real values, which are mere products of the thief's ingenuity. Thus have lying and corruption bred rottenness, and until the rottenness is cleared away, until the City makes up its mind to adopt honest ways of doing business, we must expect to have a "crisis" with us en permanence. What the investor has to fear is bolstered securities. He ought not to buy for investment any American railroad share, any Argentine Government security, any shares of whatever quality on which there is a liability. —Mr. A. J. Wilson, in Investor's Review.

## It Was the Ham.

While he was enjoying his lunch as well as his guilty conscience would permit, Israel noticed that the sky was becoming overcast. Soon it began to thunder. The peals became louder and louder; Israel grew paler and paler. Finally the dishes on his table were fairly rattled by a most terrific crash. Paralyzed with fear, Israel jumped from his seat. He caught the waiter by the arm. His knees knocked together and his face was pallid with terror. "Mein Goot!" he yelled hysterically, "Mein Goot did efer you see such a fuss about a leedle piece of ham.—Boston Bud get.

John Se-  
 erent breeds,  
 between a common  
 Polish fowl. The tail is  
 unlike that of bantams in  
 general, being square and expanded,  
 and the feathers broadening towards  
 the ends.  
 The booted white is the oldest  
 known bantam breed. They are very  
 tame and hardy, with pure white  
 plumage, which is very liable to get  
 sunburned unless given a sheltered run.



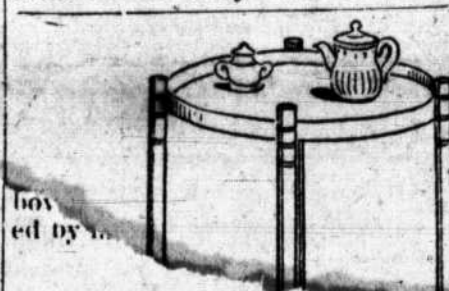
OF JAPANESE BANTAMS.

The Nankin and Pekin bantams are Chinese varieties, which resemble each other, the plumage of the former being somewhat darker and the tail feathers tipped with black. The Pekin is practically a diminutive buff Cochon.

The Japanese bantam shows by its name its origin. The breed is generally considered the most beautiful among bantams. The plumage is pure white, except the tail, which is black, with a delicate white tracing around each feather. The eggs rank with the rose-combed varieties in peculiar delicacy of flavor.

## A Home-Made Tea-Table.

Now that the fashion of offering tea to afternoon callers is so general, tea-tables of every shape and size are seen. Those that have a double stand are found to be more convenient, and such a one can be easily made from two



## Commissioner's Sale.

Pursuant to a decree of the circuit court of Pocahontas county, rendered on the 6th day of April, 1894, in the chancery cause of S. P. Patterson et al vs. J. W. Dilley et al, the undersigned special commissioners will proceed to sell on

TUESDAY, JUNE 19TH, 1894,  
 in front of the court-house of Pocahontas county, at public auction to the highest bidder, the life estate of the defendant J. W. Dilley, in two tracts of land adjoining each other and containing 138 acres, situated in Pocahontas county, on Brown's Mountain, being the same land devised to the said J. W. Dilley by his father, John Dilley by will made on the 30th day of June, 1875. (Exhibit "J" of the bill), and upon which the said J. W. Dilley lately resided. The land is fertile and a considerable portion thereof is in fine state of cultivation and has upon it a comfortable dwelling house and necessary outbuildings and an excellent orchard.

## TERMS OF SALE

Sufficient cash in hand to pay the costs of suit and expenses of sale, and the residue upon a credit of nine, eighteen and 27 months, the purchaser giving bonds with approved personal security for the deferred payments, bearing interest from date, and a lien to be retained until all the purchase money is paid.

L. M. McCLINTIC } Special Com-  
 H. S. RUCKER } missioners.  
 I. J. H. Patterson, clerk of the circuit court of Pocahontas county, certify that the commissioners above have executed bond as required by law. J. H. PATTERSON, Clerk.

Wool! Wool! Wool!  
 50,000 lbs. of unwashed and tab-washed wool wanted for cash.  
 Staunton, Va. P. B. Sublet & Son.